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FAIRS Export Certificate Report

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Report Highlights:

Sections updated: None. As a member of the European Union (EU), Sweden fully applies EU regulations on export certificates. In addition to certificates required by the EU, there are specific sanitary certificate requirements with regard to salmonella for imports of fresh meat, meat preparations and eggs into Sweden. An export certificate matrix and copies of certificates specific for Sweden are included in this report.

Section I. List of All Export Certificates Required By Government (Matrix):

Being a member of the European Union (EU), Sweden fully applies EU export certificate regulations. Required certificate details are set out in specific legislation, including models of the certificates to be used. The Swedish

government does not publish these models in Swedish but, rather, accepts English models as specified in the EU legislation.

For a list of EU-required export certificates and the products they cover, please refer to the U.S. Mission to the European Union's FAIRS Export Certificate GAIN report available at: http://useu.usmission.gov/agri

In addition to those certificates required by the EU, Sweden also has specific certificate requirements for fresh meat, meat preparations or minced meat (with the exception of heat-treated meats) and eggs exported to Sweden. These products must be accompanied by a health certificate (a salmonella guarantee) stating that the product is free from salmonella.

Table 1. Specific export certificates required by the Swedish government

Products	Title of Certificate	Attestation Required on Certificate	Purpose	Requesting Ministry
Meat &	Salmonella	"No occurrence of	Certificate of	National Food
eggs	Guarantee	salmonella infection	conformance	Administration
		disease"		

Section II. Purpose of Specific Export Certificate(s) Salmonella Guarantees

The purpose of the salmonella guarantee - Certificate of Conformance- is to provide consumer protection. In its EU accession, Sweden and Finland received a derogation allowing them to apply stricter salmonella controls than other EU member countries. Sweden and Finland were granted additional salmonella guarantees covering trade in fresh meat from bovines and hogs, fresh poultry meat and table eggs which were extended to minced meat. All consignments containing fresh meat, meat preparations or minced meat (with the exception of heat-treated meats) are subject to salmonella control.

Salmonella regulations are stipulated in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1688/2005 and the National Food Administration regulations (LIVSFS 2005:22). These regulations do not apply to imports from Norway and Finland, since these countries have the same salmonella status as Sweden. The National Food Administration is the authority responsible for requiring and approving the certificate. Copies of the "Model Certificates" for meats and eggs are found in Appendix I of this report.

Swedish importers are themselves responsible for ensuring that fresh meats, i.e., beef, pork and poultry, are tested for salmonella in the country of dispatch. Documentation stating that the meat was tested in accordance with the applicable EU decision, and that no salmonella was detected in the meat, must accompany the consignment. Likewise, importers of eggs for consumption must, as part of the self-inspection, ensure that the consignment is accompanied by certification of salmonella testing before further processing of the eggs. However, this does not apply when eggs are delivered to preapproved establishments and when it can be demonstrated that they are to be used in the manufacture of egg products.

New Methods Approved for Salmonella Testing

The EU Commission has approved new testing methods for salmonella in fresh meat (beef, pork and poultry) imported from another EU country. Commission Decision 2003/470/EG approves alternative analytical methods for salmonella testing than those referred to in Decisions 95/409/EG and 95/411/EG. Importers who wish to use other test methods for salmonella are required to provide documentation to the National Food Administration demonstrating that the method used is valid and in accordance with Decision 2003/470/EC. Questions regarding testing methods may be addressed to the National Food Administration (Tel: +4618-17 55 00).

Section III. Specific Attestations Required on Export Certificate(s) Salmonella – Meat/Eggs

The specific declaration (attestation) required on the salmonella guarantee certifies that the product to be imported into Sweden is in conformance with Sweden's strict non-tolerance for salmonella. As noted above, the "Model Certificates" can be found in Appendix I.

Section IV. Government Certificate's Legal Entry Requirements Salmonella

• Does the original certificate need to accompany the product at the time of entry?

Yes.

Commercial documents should follow the model as provided in Appendix I. The certificate should include, in the numbered order that appears in the model, the required attestations for the transportation of meat from bovines or hogs or poultry meat, including minced meat.

t shall be drawn up in one of the official languages of the EU Member State of destination. However, it may also be drawn up in other EU languages, if accompanied by an official translation or if previously agreed by the competent authority of the Member State of destination.

The commercial document must be produced at least in triplicate (one original and two copies). *The original must accompany the consignment to its final destination.* The final receiver must retain the original. The producer must retain one of the copies and the carrier the other.

The original of each commercial document shall consist of a single page, both sides, or, where more text is required it shall be in such a form that all pages needed are part of an integrated whole and indivisible.

f, for reasons of identification of the items of the consignment, additional pages are attached to the document, these pages shall also be considered as forming part of the original of the document by the application of the signature of the responsible person on each of the pages.

When the document, including additional pages, comprises more than one page, each page shall be numbered at the bottom as follows: (page number) of (total number of pages). The top of each additional page shall bear the code number of the document as designated by the responsible authority.

• Can the certificate be applied to multiple shipments?

No. The Certificate follows the individual consignment.

Will Sweden accept a Supplier's or Manufacturer's Export Declaration as proof of compliance?

Yes, for meats this is acceptable. However, the certificate for eggs must be issued by the competent authority in the United States.

Will Sweden accept a U.S. State issued export certificate?

Yes, provided that it has been drawn up in accordance with the Model Certificates.

Will Sweden derogate export certificates?

The EU has a bilateral mutual equivalency veterinary trade agreement with the United States facilitating import procedures. However, the certificate requirements must be respected.

Section V. Other Certification/Accreditation Requirements

Foods of animal origin (meat, fish, milk, eggs and products thereof) must come from an <u>EU-approved establishment</u> in the country of origin and be accompanied by a health certificate as described in Section I. The list of approved U.S. export facilities can be found on the website of the Foreign Agricultural Service U.S. Mission to the European Union at:

http://useu.usmission.gov/agri

Appendix I. Electronic Copy or Outline of Each Export Certificate

Model certificate for the consignment to Finland and Sweden of eggs intended for human consumption

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LU	ROPEAN COMMUNITY		Intra trade certificat	
	I.1. Consignor	I.2. Certificate reference number	I.2.a. Local reference number:	
	Name	I.3. Central Competent Authority		
_	Address	, ,		
	Postal code	I.4. Local Competent Authority		
sute	1.5. Consignee Name	I.6. No(s) of related original certificates * No(s) of accompanying documents *		
rese	Address	I.7. Dealer *		
11	Postal code		pproval number	
ls of consignment presented	I.8. Country of origin ISO code I.9. Region of origin Code	1.10. Country of destination ISO code		
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	I.12. Place of origin/Place of harvest	L13. Place of destination		
	* Assembly * Holding	* Assembly * Holding \(\bigcap \) centre	* Dealer's premise	
eta	* Approved body	* Holding	= =	
I: D	* Embryo team	* Embryo team Establishment	= :: : : =	
Part I: Details	Name Approval number	_	Approval number	
-	Address	Address		
	Postal code	Postal code		
	I.14. Place of loading *	1.15. Date and time of departure *		
	Postal code			
	I.16. Means of transport	I.17. Transporter *		
	Aeroplane Ship Railway wagon	Name Approval number Address		
	Road vehicle Other			
	identification:	Postal code	Member State	
	I.18. Animal species/Product	I.19. Commodity code (CN code)		
			I.20. Number/Quantity	
	1.21. Temperature of products Ambient Chilled	Frozen	I.22. Number of packages	
	1.23. Identification of container/Seal number		I.24. Type of packaging	
	I.25. Animals certified as/products certified for:			
	* Breeding * Fattening	* Slaughter 🔲 * Transhum	since * Approved body	
		. .	Pets	
		aceutical use * Technical		
	1.26. Transit through Third country ISO code	I.27. Transit through Member states Member State	ISO code	
	Third country ISO code Exit point Code	Member State	ISO code	
	Entry point BIP unit no.:	Member State	ISO code	
	I.28. Export	I.29. Estimated journey time		
	Third country ISO code			
	Exit point Code			
	L30. Route plan * Yes No			
	I.31. Identification of the animals/products			
		establishments/vessels		
	Species (Scientific name) Category	Processing plant Q	uantity Net weight	

^{*} Not to be completed

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EUI	ROPEAN COMMUNITY	Eggs for human consumption d	ispatched to Finland and Sweden		
	II. Health information	II(a) Certificate reference number	II(b) Local reference number		
	Attestation I, the undersigned, hereby certify that:				
tion	 (i) the eggs described above originate from a flock which has been subjected, with negative results, to the checks provided for in Commission Regulation [] (*); 				
Part II: Certification	(ii) the eggs are destined to be used for the manufacture of processed products by a process that guarantees the elimination of salmonella (*).				
Par					
	Notes				
	 (*) Box reference No I.16: the registration number(s) of rail-wagon or lorry and the name of the ship should be given as appropriate. If known, the flight number of the aircraft. (*) Box reference No I.23: in case of transport in containers or boxes, the total number, their registration and seal numbers, if present, should be indicated. (*) Box reference No I.31: for 'category', indicate class A or B as in revised Council Regulation (EC) No 1907/90. (*) Delete as appropriate. (*) The signature and the stamp must be in a colour different to that of the printing. 				
	Official veterinarian or official inspector				
	Name (in Capital): Local Veterinary Unit: Date: Stamp (⁵):	Qualification and title: No of the related LVU: Signature (*):			

(5) The signature must be in a different colour to that of the printing.

Model commercial document for the consignment to Finland and Sweden of meat from bovine or porcine animals or meat from poultry, including minced meat

1.	Consignor (name of despatching establishment and address in full and, if appropriate approval number of the despatching establishment)	Document reference number (1):		
2.	Consignee (receiver's name and address in full and, if appropriate approval number of the establishment of destination of the product)	Place of loading for dispatch (address in full if different from point 1)		
4.	Carrier, means of transport, quantity and identification of consignment	4.5. Nature of packaging:		
4.1.	Carrier (name and address in full):	4.6. Number of packages per category of products:		
4.2.	Lorry, rail-wagon, ship or aircraft (2)	4.7. Net weight (kg):		
4.3.	Registration number(s), ship name or flight number:	4.8. Container number if applicable:		
5.	5. Description of the products			
5.1.	I. Type of products (³):			
5.2.	2. Condition of products (*):			
6.	Declaration by the consignor			
	I, the undersigned, declare that:			
	The checks referred to in Commission Regulation [] have been carried out with negative results and a statement from the laboratory concerning the analyses performed on the consignment or the results of such analyses is attached to this document (2).			
	The meat from bovine or porcine animals, including minced meat thereof, is intended for an establishment for the purposes of pasteurisation, sterilisation or treatment having a similar effect (2).			
	The meat, including minced meat, comes from an establishment that is subject to a control programme recognised as equivalent to that approved for Sweden and Finland (2).			
	Signature			
	Done at	on		
	(place)	(date)		
		(signature of the responsible person/consignor) (5)		
		(name, in capital letters)		
(1) 1 (2) 1 (3) 1	Notes (1) Reference number issued by the responsible person for purpose of traceability. (2) Delete as appropriate. (3) Describe the type of product (e.g. meat from bovine animals, meat from porcine animals, meat from poultry, minced meat). (4) Describe the condition of product: chilled or frozen.			

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